



# Community of Christ

GREATER PACIFIC NORTHWEST USA MISSION CENTER

## Visiting Ministry Schedule \*UPDATED\* Third Trimester 2019

CONGREGATION	SEPTEMBER		October		November		December	
Albany	Sean Langdon	9/29	Dave Anderson	10/27	Diane Webberely	11/17	Dave Polly	12/8
Auburn	Barb Hawksford	9/22	Kathy Sharp	10/27	No Visiting Ministry		Mark Murphy	12/8
Bend	Mike Bessonette	9/15	Jody Barnhart	10/20	No Visiting Ministry		No Visiting Ministry	
Bremerton	Jody Barnhart	9/22	No Visiting Ministry		No Visiting Ministry		No Visiting Ministry	
Cottage Grove	Susan Gregory		Dale Luffman	10/27	Margaret Polly	11/24	No Visiting Ministry	
Cowlitz Valley	No Visiting Ministry		Sean Langdon	10/6	David Burns	11/17	No Visiting Ministry	
Crystal Springs	Sean Langdon	9/15	Steve Pomeroy	10/27	No Visiting Ministry		No Visiting Ministry	
East Wenatchee	Sean Langdon	9/8	Kim Naten	10/13	Blake Puckett	11/17	No Visiting Ministry	
Eugene	No Visiting Ministry		Sean Langdon	10/27	Donald Welch	11/17	No Visiting Ministry	
Garden Grove	No Visiting Ministry		Scott Amos	10/20	Dave Anderson	11/10	No Visiting Ministry	
Highland Park	Kathy Sharp	9/22	Dorothy Wilgus	10/13	Bob Coleman	10/17	Sean Langdon	12/1
Mossyrock	Sharon West	9/1	Steve Sauve	10/6	Kim Naten	11/17	No Visiting Ministry	
Myrtle Point	Donald Welch	9/8	Dee Robino	10/13	No Visiting Ministry		No Visiting Ministry	
Neilton	Lowell Groat	9/22	Rich Sowers	10/20	Wanda & Cliff Hagman	11/17	No Visiting Ministry	
Portland	No Visiting Ministry		Ron Smith	10/13	MC CONFERENCE	11/3	Kim Naten	12/8
							Donald Welch	12/15
Puyallup	Kim Naten	9/15	Cliff & Wanda Hagman	10/13	Susan Oxley	11/10	No Visiting Ministry	
Rainier Valley	Mary & Terry Richardson	9/8	Dave Harrison	10/13	Dorothy Wilgus	11/10	No Visiting Ministry	
Redmond	Donald Welch	9/22	No Visiting Ministry		Susan Gregory	11/17	No Visiting Ministry	
Renton	David Graybill	9/8	Scott & Laurie White	10/20	No Visiting Ministry		No Visiting Ministry	
Rogue Valley	No Visiting Ministry		Mike Bessonette	10/20	Jody Barnhart	11/17	Donald Welch	12/8
Roseburg	No Visiting Ministry		No Visiting Ministry		No Visiting Ministry		No Visiting Ministry	
Salem	Sean Langdon	9/22	Donald Welch	10/20	Mike Bessonette	11/17	No Visiting Ministry	
Samish	Tammy Lindle-Lewis	9/15	Susan Oxley	10/20	Pam Cress	11/17	No Visiting Ministry	
			Donald Welch	10/27				
Sequim	No Visiting Ministry		No Visiting Ministry		No Visiting Ministry		No Visiting Ministry	
Southridge	Dale Rasmussen	9/15	Sharon West	10/20	Mark Murphy	11/17	No Visiting Ministry	
Tuality	Scott Amos	9/22	Donald Welch	10/13	Tim Polly	11/17	No Visiting Ministry	
University Place	No Visiting Ministry		Stacie Simmons-Bates	10/20	Donald Welch	11/10	Elizabeth Else	
Woodland Park	No Visiting Ministry		Bob Coleman	10/13	Kathy Sharp	11/17	No Visiting Ministry	
Yakima	No Visiting Ministry		No Visiting Ministry		No Visiting Ministry		No Visiting Ministry	



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## Visiting Ministry Guidelines

### Guidelines for the Pastor and/or the Congregation's Worship Coordinator

1. Contact the guest minister at least two weeks in advance of the scheduled visit. Do not rely on email if the minister does not confirm receipt of your message. Call them and make sure they are coming.
2. Identify your role in the congregation, i.e., worship coordinator, worship service planner, planning and printing the Sunday bulletin, etc.
3. Verify if the Visiting Minister is using the World Church's Sunday theme or if you are requesting a different theme. Alert the Visiting Minister if any sacraments will be part of the service.
4. Verify the scripture reading and whether it is to be a separate item in the bulletin or if the Visiting Minister will incorporate it into the sermon.
5. Inquire if the Visiting Minister has specific song requests in support of the theme.
6. Inform the Visiting Minister of the time the service is to begin and verify the time allotted to the speaker for his/her ministry. In addition, let the Visiting Minister know when the church will be open for his/her arrival and whether Christian Education classes or other activities will precede worship.
7. Inform the Visiting Minister of the culture of the congregation and any recent life events among the membership which may assist the speaker with sermon preparation.
8. Each Visiting Minister should be offered lunch as a sign of hospitality and appreciation as well as to create an opportunity for deeper fellowship. Consider having potluck or inviting him/her out to lunch.
9. When appropriate, offer a financial gift to defray the cost of traveling. (This does not apply to Mission Center staff persons.)

### Guidelines for the Visiting Minister

1. If a congregational representative has not already contacted you two weeks before the date of your visit, contact the pastor to verify that the congregation is planning on your visiting ministry.
2. When possible, arrive at the church an hour prior to the scheduled service. Inquire if the church will be open at that time and whether you can engage with the congregation prior to worship.
3. If you are unable to keep your speaking assignment, it is **your** responsibility to coordinate a change of date with the pastor or congregation representative. Also, notify Stacie Simmons Bates or Lyle Anderson if you have to cancel, so they are aware that the congregation did not receive visiting ministry that month.
4. In your sermon preparation, strive to present a message that is scripture based and brings encouragement, joy, hope, love, and the peace of Jesus Christ to those who will receive it. As a Visiting Minister, your message should **not** be controversial, condemning, or divisive. As a general rule, 20 minutes is an approximate time for a well prepared sermon.